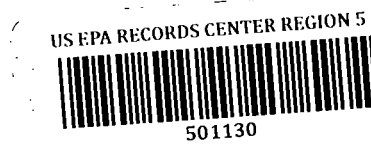


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**Re: Monthly Progress Report for July 2015
North Bronson Industrial Area Site, Operable Unit 1, Bronson, Michigan**

Dear Mr. Hahnenberg:

The North Bronson Potentially Responsible Parties Group (the Group) submits this monthly progress report to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 5, pursuant to Article X, Paragraph 31, of the Consent Decree for Remedial Design and Remedial Action (RD/RA) of Operable Unit 1 (OU1) at the North Bronson Industrial Area (NBIA) Site (the Consent Decree). This report summarizes efforts by the Group to fulfill the requirements of the Consent Decree during July 2015.

1. Activities Completed During This Reporting Period

- A. On July 9, 2015, the Group submitted the June 2015 monthly progress report to USEPA with copies to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ).
- B. On July 17, 2015, the Group received the data from the annual monitoring of residential wells in the vicinity of the Site conducted by the Branch Hillsdale St. Joseph Community Health Agency and MDEQ. No Site-related volatile organic compounds were detected in any of the 20 sampled wells.

2. Results of Sampling and Other Test Data

- A. The Group developed no sampling or test data during the July 2015 reporting period.

3. Work Plans, Procedures, and Deliverables

- A. The Group submitted no work plans, procedures, or deliverables during the July 2015 reporting period.

4. Actions Projected for Next Six-Week Period

- A. The Group will begin preparation of the Basis of Design report for submittal within 45 days of receipt of USEPA approval of the revised *Remedial Design Work Plan* (RDWP) that was submitted to USEPA on January 31, 2014.

5. Progress and Schedule Report

- A. The revised RDWP provides the schedule for submittal of design deliverables.

6. Summary of Proposed or Approved Changes to the Work Plans or Schedules


- A. The Group proposed no changes to approved work plans or schedules during the July 2015 reporting period.

7. Activities Undertaken in Support of the Community Relations Plan

- A. The Group undertook no formal activities in support of the Community Relations Plan during the July 2015 reporting period.

We trust that this submittal satisfies your requirements at this time. If you have questions regarding this monthly progress report or related project matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,



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